

# A message from Kathy Smith

Tomorrow, Saturday, November 4 is the last day to vote absentee. You can vote absentee at the Fairfax County Government Center or any satellite location from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Election Day is this coming Tuesday, November 7. Below you will find information on how to locate your polling place, view your sample ballot, and more.

Last November, Fairfax County voters approved the Human Services and Community Development Bond Referendum. This bond will provide funding for the construction of a community center in the Sully District. The future Sully Community Center will be located at the intersection of Wall Road and Air and Space Museum Parkway in Chantilly, and will be the new location for the Sully Senior Center. Fairfax County is seeking input from the community on the new community center. The link to the survey is below. The survey deadline is Sunday,

November 19.

Sincerely,

Kally

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# Your Nov. 7 Election Day Voting Guide



#### Are you ready to vote on November 7?

Virginia is one of only two states in the country with statewide elections this November and we want to make sure our voters in Fairfax County are ready when you head to the polls.

#### **Know What's On Your Ballot:**

Take a few minutes before heading out to vote to review your sample ballot.

Being familiar with your ballot choices will help you get out of your poll faster! Voting information and ballots are also now available in <u>additional languages</u> – Spanish, Korean and Vietnamese.

Your ballot will include choices for:

- Governor
- Lieutenant Governor
- Attorney General
- Member, House of Delegates
- Public School Bonds Referendum

Find Your Sample Ballot

#### **Know Your Poll Location:**

There are 243 poll locations in the county and there have been some changes since last November's election. Take a few minutes to double check your poll location.

Polls are open in Virginia from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. If you are planning to vote on your way home from work, keep in mind you need to be in line at your poll location by 7:00 p.m. in order to vote – give yourself plenty of travel time.

Find Your Poll Location

#### **Bring Your Photo ID:**

There are several forms of <u>acceptable photo ID</u>:

Virginia driver's license

- U.S. passport
- Military ID
- Federal, Virginia or local government-issued photo ID cards
- ID issued by a Virginia college or university
- Complete list from the Virginia Department of Elections

If you do not have a photo ID, you can get a free photo ID from the Office of Elections. Contact us as soon as possible at 703-222-0776, TTY 711, or email <a href="mailto:voting@fairfaxcounty.gov">voting@fairfaxcounty.gov</a>

#### Plan Ahead:

#### **Absentee Voting -**

If you will be out of town on November 7, have a long commute, are disabled or pregnant, you may consider absentee voting. There are 20 reasons for absentee voting in Virginia and you can <u>vote absentee in person or by mail</u>.

If you applied for a mail-in ballot, you can track your ballot. Make sure you allow ample time for your ballot to arrive at the Office of Elections before Nov. 7 at 7 p.m. It won't be counted if it arrives after the deadline.

#### On Election Day -

Traffic and parking around poll locations on November 7 may be very busy especially during peak commuter hours in the morning and evening. If you have flexibility, you may want to consider voting after 10:00 a.m. and before 4:00 p.m.

- Many county properties such as community centers, library branches
  and park facilities are used as poll locations. Be aware that some
  regular programming may be cancelled and parking may be
  busy. You may want to check online or call ahead to your county
  destination. Fairfax County Public Schools are closed on Election
  Day.
- If you have questions about voting, if possible, please call the Office
  of Elections before Election Day at 703-222-0776 (TTY 711). We
  expect our phone lines to be very busy that day!

#### **Follow Election Results:**

It may take some time to get unofficial election results in Fairfax County after our polls close at 7:00 p.m. If voters are in line at 7:00 p.m., they will be able to vote, delaying the closing of the poll. We are also a very large jurisdiction with 243 precincts and a large number of absentee ballots to count that night. We will be working very hard to get you unofficial results as soon as possible:

- Fairfax County results
- Virginia results
- Election results map (not available until election night)
- Follow <u>@fairfaxvotes</u> on Twitter for updates and information.
- Watch Fairfax County Government <u>Channel 16</u>

# County Seeks Community Input for Lorton, Sully Community Center Designs



Fairfax County is beginning work on the designs for the Lorton and Sully Community Centers, and is seeking public input to ensure that these facilities have the versatility and capacity to meet the expectations and needs of the Lorton and Chantilly/Centreville/Oak Hill communities.

Residents of those communities are being asked to participate in an online survey to share their thoughts, concerns and hopes for the new centers:

**Lorton Community Center Survey** 

Sully Community Center Survey

Both surveys will remain open from Monday, October 30, through Sunday, November 19.

#### **About the Projects:**

In November 2016, Fairfax County voters approved the <u>Human Services and Community Development Bond Referendum</u> which provided funding for the construction of two new community centers - one in the Lorton area and one in the Chantilly/Centreville/Oak Hill area. Both facilities will serve as **new locations for the Lorton and Sully Senior Centers** which are currently in operation in leased space in the Lorton and Chantilly areas respectively; as well as providing a broader array of services, programs and activities for individuals of all ages and abilities throughout these communities.

**Site locations** for each project have been identified. The future Lorton Community Center will be located adjacent to the Lorton Community Library on Richmond Highway in Lorton. The future Sully Community Center will be located at the intersection of Wall Road and the Air and Space Museum Parkway in Chantilly.

Both projects are currently entering their initial design stages and are targeted for **completion by early 2022.** 

#### **Public Participation in the Design/Construction Process:**

Fairfax County Community Centers are multi-service facilities that serve the needs of individuals of all ages and abilities throughout Fairfax County. To that end, the county is seeking public input to ensure that these new facilities are designed to meet the needs and interests of the communities they serve.

The <u>Lorton</u> and <u>Sully</u> Community Center Surveys are the first step in helping project staff develop an initial conceptual design for the facility. There will be multiple opportunities for community involvement throughout the

process to discuss everything from amenities and curb appeal to programming and activities desired. Additional information will be made available as the project begins to progress.

Project questions from the public may be directed via e-mail to the appropriate project manager:

• Lorton Community Center: <a href="mailto:lpek.Atuglu@fairfaxcounty.gov">lpek.Atuglu@fairfaxcounty.gov</a>

• Sully Community Center: Allison.Terzigni@fairfaxcounty.gov

# Reminder - VDOT: Incident Management Open House



**NOV. 11** 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.







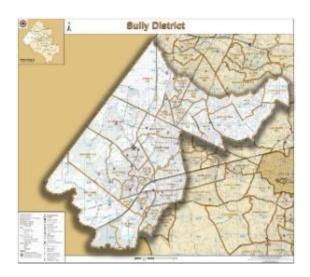
Join VDOT and our public safety partners to learn how we work as a team to quickly clear incidents from our roads. Walk through a crash scene, see response vehicles, and meet responders!

vdotopenhouse.eventbrite.com | @vadotnova



VDOT NOVA District Office | 4975 Alliance Drive, Fairfax

# **Sully Land Use Spotlight**



#### **Upcoming Land Use Cases:**

## **Planning Commission -**

SE 2017-SU-015/PCA 2003-SU-035-03/FDPA 2003-SU-035-03 Dulles Discovery Retail, LLC (11/09)

This land use case that would enable the construction of either an urgent care/medical care facility or a fast food restaurant at the Dulles Discovery Retail site. The retail site is situated between Air and Space Museum Pkwy and Historic Sully Way.

SE 2017-SU-020/2232-Y17-34 (Milestone Limited Partnership III; Cellco Partnership/Verizon Wireless (11/09)

This land use case would enable the construction of a telecommunications

monopole at the NOVEC Pleasant Valley Substation within an immediate area characterized by public utility and facility uses. The monopole was originally approved in 2014 for a nearby area, but had to be moved and delayed based on additional activity related to the substation.

#### **Upcoming Meetings:**

#### **Dulles Suburban Center Advisory Group Meeting -**

The Dulles Suburban Center Advisory Group will meet on **Monday**, **November 6 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.** The meeting will held **at the Sully Government Center (4900 Stonecroft Blvd, Chantilly, VA 20151).** The following items are on the agenda:

- Plan Text for New Residential and Mixed Use areas
- New Stormwater Guidance and,
- Area Wide Guidance

#### Sully Joint Land Use Committee Meeting -

The WFCCA (West Fairfax County Citizens Association) and SDC (Sully District Council) will be holding a combined land-use meeting on **Tuesday**, **November 7 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Sully Government Center (4900 Stonecroft Blvd., Chantilly, VA 20151).** As of this newsletter, there are 3-4 cases anticipated before the committee.

- Win & Archery-special permit for an indoor archery range at 14101
   Sullyfield Circle, Chantilly, VA
- Play N' Learn-special permit for an indoor recreation use at 4102
   Pepsi Place, Chantilly, VA

- Commonwealth Centre-Sign plan amendment for development east of Route 28/Westfields interchange
- Dulles Discovery South-rezoning application to move an approved office facility to create a cohesive campus

#### **Board of Zoning Appeals -**

There will be no Board of Zoning Appeals meeting on Wednesday, November 8.

#### **Architectural Review Board Meeting -**

The Architectural Review Board (ARB) is scheduled to meet on Thursday, November 9 at 6:30 p.m. at the Fairfax County Government Center (12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA 22035) in Conference Rooms 4 & 5. The following items or cases are on the agenda. A link to the agenda is provided below. For more information on the functions of the Architectural Review Board click here.

#### November 9<sup>th</sup> ARB Agenda

#### Items for Action:

- Item-ARB-17-LKA-02 Proposal for partial removal & new storefront installation-1641 Washington Plaza (Hunter Mill District/ Lake Anne Village Center Historic Overlay District)
- Item-ARB-17-SMC-03 Proposal for potential future development of vacant property-5640 Ox Road (Springfield District/St. Mary's Church Historic Overlay District)

#### Informal Workshop Items:

Feasibility assessment of a new residential property at 1011/1013
 Turkey Run Road (Dranesville District/Langley Fork Historic Overlay District)

#### **Planning Commission Meeting -**

The Planning Commission is scheduled to meet on Thursday, November 9 at 8:15 p.m. at the Fairfax County Government Center (12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA 22035). The following items or cases are on the agenda. Specific item details are available at the links to agenda items provided below.

- Decision Only Items/Cases:
  - o Z.O. Amendment-Minor Modifications Topic
- Public Hearing Cases:
  - SE 2017-SU-015/PCA 2003-SU-035-03/FDPA 2003-SU-035 03 Dulles Discovery South Retail, LLC (Sully District)
  - SE 2017-SU-020/2232-Y17-34 Milestone Limited Partnership
     III; Cellco Partnership/ Verizon Wireless (Sully District)

#### **Dulles Suburban Center Community Meeting -**

The Fairfax County Department of Planning and Zoning will hold a community meeting to discuss proposed changes to the Comprehensive Plan for Land Unit E-2 of the Dulles Suburban Center. You are invited to attend the meeting to learn about the proposed changes, ask questions and provide your comments.

The meeting will be held as follows:

Monday, November 13, 2017 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., Franklin Middle School, 3300 Lees Corner Road, Chantilly, VA 20151

Land Unit E-2 consists of approximately 85 acres and is located northeast of the intersection of Centreville Road and Route 50. It is developed primarily with retail use and includes the Sully Plaza and Sully Place Shopping Centers. It is located in the Sully Magisterial District. The proposed plan will consider an option to increase the planned intensity of the site and to introduce residential use.

## **Medicare 101 Workshops & Enrollment Events**



There is still time to register for the county's free Medicare Workshops and Enrollment Events. Don't miss this opportunity to learn how to get the most out of your 2018 Medicare coverage. Medicare's Annual Election season runs from October 15 to December 7. This is the time to review your current coverage and consider whether to change your health and prescription plans. Ensure you make the right choices by attending one of the county's Medicare 101 courses listed below. For more information, please visit

<u>www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults</u> and click on Medicare 101 or call 703-324-5851.

#### Medicare 101 Schedule -

Date: Monday, November 6

Time: 12:45 to 2:15 p.m.

Location: Little River Glen Senior Center; 4001 Barker Court, Fairfax, VA

Contact: Karen Gasper, 703-503-8703

Date: Tuesday, November 7

Time: 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Location: McLean Community Center; 6645 Old Dominion Drive, McLean,

VA

Contact: Sydney Duberstein, 703-790-0123

Date: Wednesday, November 8

Time: 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.

Location: Braddock District Office; 9002 Burke Lake Road, Burke, VA

Contact: Supervisor Office, 703-425-9300

Date: Monday, November 27

Time: 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Location: Thomas Jefferson Library; 415 Arlington Boulevard, Falls Church,

VA

Contact: VICAP, 703-324-5851

Medicare Health Fair for Federal Employees and Retirees

Date: Saturday, November 18

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Location: Fairfax County Government Center; 12000 Government Center

Parkway, Fairfax, VA

Contact: VICAP, 703-324-5851

# Tree Care Spotlight: To Stake or Not to Stake



Newly planted landscape trees do not require staking in most cases.

Staking is usually only needed in areas with high winds. Newly planted trees that are fully leafed out have a greater likelihood of being blown over, especially evergreens like magnolia or pine.

Trees should be staked using a flexible tie, such as the product Arbortie, a cloth-like polypropylene weave, which is soft enough not to damage the tree yet strong enough to hold it in place. Arbortie or other equivalents are available at any garden center or online. The ties should be attached to two inch oak stakes about halfway up the height of the tree and situated against the wind.

Common materials like wire and hose, are NOT recommended and can be detrimental to tree establishment. Any staking materials, both the stakes and ties, need to be removed from trees a year after planting/staking. Staking materials that are left on too long will damage trees and hinder tree growth and establishment.

More information about trees is here:

http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/environmental/ufmdmain.htm or call the Fairfax County Urban Forest Management Division (UFMD) at 703-324-1770, TTY 711.

# **Fairfax Connector Promotes Pedestrian Safety**



As days continue to get shorter in the fall, the conclusion of Daylight Saving Time this weekend will create even trickier conditions when it comes to visibility in the morning and early evening. To help drivers, bicyclists, pedestrians, and all those who share the roads, staff of the Fairfax Connector have scheduled special outreach events through **Thursday**,

**November 9**, to distribute reflective flashers. Dates and times will be announced via the Connector's social media channels, including Facebook and Twitter. Commuters will be able to pick up a "Be smart. Be Safe. Be Seen." flasher at select Fairfax County transit centers and high-traffic areas, including:

- Reston Town Center
- Vienna Metro
- Franconia-Springfield Metro
- Wiehle-Reston East Metro
- Lorton VRE Station
- Richmond Highway and Bedford Drive (Alexandria)
- Pentagon Transit Center

Fairfax Connector reminds drivers, pedestrians, and bicyclists to be especially alert before dawn and after dusk, when the nearly 75 percent of pedestrian crash fatalities occur.\*

#### Pedestrians should follow these safety tips:

- Use sidewalks, crosswalks, and (where available) pedestrian signal buttons and indicators
- Walk on the shoulder facing oncoming traffic if there is no sidewalk
- Never assume a driver sees you. Make eye contact with drivers before crossing in front of vehicles
- Wear reflective materials in the early morning and at night
- Use a flashlight to walk safely in the dark and to signal bus operators
- Don't get distracted by your electronic devices or headphones. Eyes up!

\* Source: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration National Center for Statistics and Analysis, "Traffic Safety Facts, 2015 Data," Washington, 2017.

#### For information regarding Fairfax Connector:

- Visit www.fairfaxconnector.com
- Call 703-339-7200, TTY 703-339-1608 (Monday Friday, 5:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.; Saturday - Sunday, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.)
- Visit a Connector Store
- Follow them on <u>Twitter</u> & <u>Facebook</u>

## **Code Compliance Corner**

Signs in the Highway Program – State law prohibits the posting of signs on state rights-of-way. On July 1, 2013, Fairfax County initiated their Signs in the Highway Program to assist VDOT by removing illegal signs from selected major roads, including advertising, political, real estate, and all other types of signs. Signs are regularly picked up every week between Tuesday and Thursday by the Sheriff's Community Labor Force. Signs are not cleaned up based on public complaints and will not be removed from neighborhood streets—only selected major roads across the county. Citizens may help tremendously by creating or joining a VDOT Adopt-a-Highway group to remove signs from their neighborhood streets and nearby roads.





## Right-of-Way (ROW) Sign Removal Program

#### Do you know about Fairfax County's rules for Signs in the ROW?

- Fairfax County removes signs that are illegally placed on or along roads
   <u>DESIGNATED</u> in the Illegal Sign Removal Program. This includes signage for
   political campaigns, advertising, realtors, and more.
- Signs will be regularly picked up every week between Tuesday and Thursday by the Sheriff's Community Labor Force. <u>Signs will not be cleaned up based</u> on public complaints.
- After the county removes a sign, it will be stored for five calendar days at the I-66 Transfer Station where it may be reclaimed. Signs will be destroyed after five days. However, VDOT's Adopt-a-Highway groups may collect signs at any time on their designated roads, and they may destroy these signs.

#### What is the State Maintained "Right-of-Way"?

- This is a term denoting land, property, or interest therein, usually in a strip, acquired for or
  devoted to a highway or transportation use. This area does not belong to individual property
  owners and must be kept clear for motorist and pedestrian safety and for road maintenance
  by VDOT crews.
- ROW widths vary depending on the type of roadway and the width of pavement. A typical
  two-lane road can have a ROW width of 50' while a four-lane road can have a ROW width of
  100' 300'. Due to this large variance in ROW width it is important to establish the exact
  ROW widths prior to installing any signs or objects near a roadway.

# Taken from Virginia Code § 33.2-1224: Signs or advertising on rocks, poles, etc., within limits of highway; civil penalty.

Any person who in any manner (i) paints, prints, places, puts or affixes any sign or advertisement upon or to any rock, stone, tree, fence, stump, pole, mile-board, milestone, danger-sign, guide-sign, guidepost, highway sign, historical marker, building, or other object lawfully within the limits of any highway or (ii) erects, paints, prints, places, puts, or affixes any sign or advertisement within the limits of any highway shall be assessed a civil penalty of \$100. Each occurrence shall be subject to a separate penalty. All civil penalties collected under this section shall be paid into the Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund. Signs or advertisements placed within the limits of the highway are hereby declared a public and private nuisance and may be forthwith removed, obliterated, or abated by the Commissioner of Highways or his representatives without notice. The Commissioner of Highways may collect the cost of such removal, obliteration, or abatement from the person erecting, painting, printing, placing, putting, affixing or using such sign or advertisement. When no one is observed erecting, painting, printing, placing, putting, or affixing such sign or advertisement, the person, firm or corporation being advertised shall be presumed to have placed the sign or advertisement and shall be punished accordingly. Such presumption, however, shall be rebuttable by competent evidence. In addition, the Commissioner or his representative may seek to enjoin any recurring violator of this section. The Commissioner of Highways may enter into agreements with any local governing body authorizing local law-enforcement agencies or other local governmental entities to act as agents of the Commissioner for the purpose of (i) enforcing the provisions of this section and (ii) collecting the penalties and costs provided for in this section. Any such agreement may provide that penalties and costs collected pursuant to such agreement shall be paid as agreed.

#### VDOT's Adopt-a-Highway

 The Adopt-a-Highway program provides an opportunity for residents, businesses or civic groups to participate in the clean-up of litter along public rights-of-ways. Information on how to get involved is provided below:

#### http://www.virginiadot.org/programs/prog-aah-default.asp

 If residents notice an increase in litter on a particular section of road, they can notify VDOT at 800-PRIDEVA (800-774-3382), e-mail adoptahighway@VirginiaDOT.org or contact the Adopt-a-Highway coordinator in their area.

#### For More information:



Fairfax County Department of Code Compliance 12055 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA 22035

Phone: 703-324-SIGN, TTY 711 Web: www.fairfaxcountv.gov/code



To request this information in an alternate format, call the Department of Code Compliance.

This Fairfax County, VA Publication (published September 2016) summarizes a few regulations. See relevant codes for specific requirements

## **Events at E.C. Lawrence Park**



Celebrate Centreville's Past Sunday, November 12 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Join us at historic Cabell's Mill to uncover artifacts, search newly discovered maps, decipher ancient documents, and enjoy a lively and enlightening discussion of historical sites in old Centreville. This event is a partnership between the Centreville Historical Society and Ellanor C. Lawrence Park and will feature a research talk by Debbie Robison. The program will be located at Cabell's Mill (5235 Walney Road, Centreville). Click here to register.

Artistically Inspired
Sunday, November 12
1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Gather friends and family to create beautiful crafts inspired by our history and natural world. Learn about the history of the crafts and natural resources

will be using. November's craft will explore the history and artistry of teacups and using fall foliage to create votives. Cost: \$10 (County resident), \$12 (non-resident). Ages 8 and up. Click here to register.

Afternoon Innovators Sunday, November 19 3:30 to 5:00 p.m.

Did you know that James Machen, the owner and farmer of the modern-day Ellanor C. Lawrence Park, held patents for farming technology? In this afterschool program, learn how the Machens used technology to make their lives easier. Innovate, tinker, and have a chance to make prototypes to solve today's challenges using technology. Cost: \$10 (County resident), \$12 (non-resident). Ages 6 to 13. Click here to register.

Ellanor C. Lawrence Park is located at 5040 Walney Road in Chantilly, VA. For more information, visit Ellanor C. Lawrence Park or call 703-631-0013.

# **Animal Shelter Corner**



Meet Sawyer!

Age: 4y 2m Gender: Male

Color: Blue / Black

Spayed/Neutered: Yes

Size: Large

He would look so fetching, prancing next to you on long walks through the crunchy leaves on your favorite trail.

Sawyer is a little nervous at the shelter, but when he gets to go outside to play his true personality comes out! He loves to run the fences with other dogs, chase tennis balls, and eat hot dog treats. He also loves to hang with his human companions and get attention once he gets to know you. He was surrendered because he was not adjusting well to the children in the home probably because he did not like sharing his toys and food with them. This is something he will need to work on with his new adopter, and the shelter is recommending a home with no small children or other dogs.

Do you have the time and patience to help this good boy learn how to be an even better boy? Email <a href="mailto:animalshelter@fairfaxcounty.gov">animalshelter@fairfaxcounty.gov</a> to set up a meeting with this sweet guy!

# **Volunteer Opportunity in Sully**

